

Fisheries

Student Activity Book

I. Introduction

Part of the job of the U.S. Government is to ensure that the rights of all the citizens of the United States are protected. The National Marine Fisheries Service's job is to make sure that people don't catch so many fish that there are not enough fish left to breed and replenish the fish population. If people catch too many fish now, there will not be enough for people to catch in the future. The National Marine Fisheries Service is in a real sense a guardian of the future.

Get Info Objectives

1. Explain what fisheries management is.
2. Explain why fisheries management is important.
3. Describe how fish populations are managed.

Gather Data Objectives

1. Determine the year that had the greatest and least fish landings (catches).
2. Describe the pattern of catches over a long period of time.
3. Determine the method of fishing that catches the most fish.

Application Objectives

1. Hypothesize the effects of better fishing methods on the long-term landing (number of fish caught).

2. Explain why the commercial fishing license system should be continued.
3. Develop a list of illegal activities that should be reported to the National Marine Fisheries Service.

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